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For: MICROCAPSULE-CONTAINING COMPOSITION, THERMAL RECORDING
MATERIAL USING THE SAME AND PROCESS OF PREPARING MICROCAPSULE-
CONTAINING COMPOSITION

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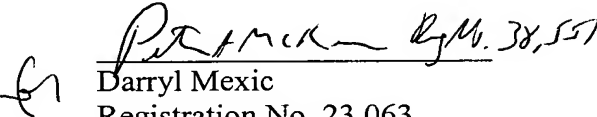
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